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I live on the 300 block of Butler Ave. and was wondering why the pavement to the curb on the West side of the road is so much lower than on the East side of the street. The drain on the West side corner of Butler and Church streets is up higher. Therefore, we have water standing in front of our houses for ever, it seems. So bad, that you need rubber boots to get in and out of your yard and onto the street.

I wrote a similar letter like this a couple years back, but?? The drop between the pavement and the curb was so bad that I am convinced that is why I had to replace upper and lower balljoints on both sides of my truck. I tried smoothing the entrance to my driveway myself by buying bags of some kind of driveway repair material from Kaun's, but after \$50.00, it still didn't seem to do that much.

I've noticed that there are some driveways on Butler Ave, especially on the 400 block, that have been repaired with what appears to be actual asphalt type of material. I suspect that it was the town that did this at some point in time. Is there any chance that I could at least have the entrance to my driveway filled in with whatever was used. The ones that have it done are able to walk onto the street without being in such deep water. Sure, there is water on both sides of their driveway, but at least they can get out without rubber boots. We wouldn't be blocking water to the drain, as I mentioned before, the drain is too high. The water has to evaporate anyway.

Yes, we do live in probably the oldest part in town, so maybe our whole street should be looked at. Parking for the day care center people, or the bass tournament and the parade parking is notorius on tires the way the curbs are.

Also, I don't understand all the dips in the streets where there was digging to repair water lines, or whatever, throughout town. Is it paved over prematurely maybe? On our 300 block of Butler Ave. there is a dip so bad that I witnessed a boat coming from the marina with a 200 hp motor on it, not speeding, but when he went over that dip you could hear the clanging and it couldn't have been good for his transom.

For now, I would be happy to at least have some asphalt or whatever you use to build up the pavement to my driveway. I don't plan to spend any more money on it myself.

Thankyou,
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